



**DISTRICT GOVERNOR JACKIE GLAZIER**

Happy 2023 District 11E1

We are half way through our Lion year and I hope clubs are working on their club and district goals.

January brings us cold snowy weather here in the northern part of the mitten state, but doesn't that make us stronger to plow through with what needs to be accomplished. Yes, there are Lions that head for warmer areas but they still should play an active part in their clubs. All Lions have now learned the art of Zoom and wherever we travel we are blessed as Lions to come across a Lions Club. I am very interested in hearing the events of southern Lions and welcome our Lions to go visit clubs in their travels.

**January is Hunger Awareness Month**—great project all Lions can participate in and of course, easy project to report.

As Lions we all are very thankful for Lion Melvin Jones. This month we celebrate his birthday. Melvin was born January 13<sup>th</sup>, 1879 in Arizona. For Lions what a great opportunity to meet up with another club and have a birthday party! Admit it, we all like cake, ice cream, and being with fellow Lions. It is a DG goal getting together with other clubs, so have a party!

If your club has never received the **Club Excellence Award** or if you have questions, come to the cabinet meeting January 14<sup>th</sup> in White Cloud at their Lions Den. I have printed off applications and a packet of information explaining the easy process.

Lions, please if at any time you have questions, comments, or concerns, reach out to me—DG Jackie. I still have over 6 months as a DG. I have clubs to visit, so we need to work together and fulfill this. I look forward to seeing you all in person either at the cabinet meeting, your club, or the MI Forum in February.

Keep smiling and having fun! Report your activities. Stay connected. Be Kind—Together We Can

**Cabinet Members and District Chairs:**  
Reminder to mark your calendars—The next District Cabinet Meeting is January 14, 2023, in White Cloud at their Lions Den. We will have a special guest, the Council of Governors Chair PDG Ron Gibson. Many of you know Lion Ron; he was our District Governor and now resides in Portage, MI. May the New Year bring you good health and happiness!  
District 11E1 Secretary, Pete Conarty

## 1<sup>ST</sup> VDG Jim Patterson's Message



It's not even Christmas yet and here I sit struggling to find a meaningful message for the January newsletter. We are half way through our current membership year and I have been only able to visit less than half of the clubs in our district. But what I see and learn through those visits has been eye opening. The needs you face are large - almost overwhelming. But what you do, what you accomplish, with strained budgets and willing hearts is nothing short of amazing.

As an example, hunger in America is a very big issue, especially in our district. According to the latest statistics, 33 million American families are "food insecure." Michigan accounts for over 1.1 million of those with one in seven Michigan children going to bed hungry. To feed just those

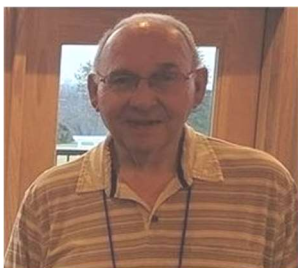
Michigan families for one year requires over one-half BILLION dollars.

Many facing crushing numbers like these would just throw up their hands and say that the situation is hopeless. They would ask, "What can one person do against such a huge problem?" You Lions know the answer to that question: you all know that one person plus one other person plus another can accomplish a lot! Together you roll up your sleeves and get to work. Maybe you can't feed the entire state but you sure as h\*\*\* can feed the hungry in your community. And you do - time and time again.

Some clubs run their own food pantry. Some clubs pay for a truck from Feeding America and then distribute the food themselves. Others pitch in at the local church's pantry. And on and on. The many different ways Lions in our district fight to prevent hunger in their communities is a real blessing. You quickly accomplish the difficult details. The impossible takes a little longer but you manage those as well. Your dedication to the values all Lions hold dear is an example for anyone to follow.

Fighting hunger is just one of the many ways you all serve those in need. Thank you for your service, thank you for your dedication, thank you for your hard work, but, most of all, thank you for being a Lion!

## 2<sup>ND</sup> VDG Robert Roebuck



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231-250-1955.  
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## Upcoming Calendar Dates:

● Our next cabinet meeting is January 14, 2023 at the White Cloud Lions Den.

● Michigan Forum, Airport Doubletree Hotel, Grand Rapids - February 24 - 26, 2023

● District Convention - Save the Date of April 21 & 22, 2023. We will have our convention in Clare. Our theme is "Going Camping with DG Jackie" More information to come in future newsletters. (pg. 4)

● MD 11 Convention, Muskegon, May 18 - 20, 2023

## YOUR SERVICE MATTERS

Your service matters - to the individuals you serve, to your community, and to Lions Clubs International! Do you get donations from businesses so you can help others? So does LCI. Reporting your service on **My Lion** helps our parent organization show more accurate statistics on how many people are being served, which in turn helps them get corporate donations.

I have seen many great service projects in our District Newsletter, "**Lions Connections**", that have gone unreported on **My Lion**. If you need help reporting your service, email, text, or call me. I love reporting service and will gladly teach you how to report or will do it for you - I just need specific details!

How did I learn how to report online? I asked for help! It is my job as Coleman Lions secretary to report service as well as membership. If I can learn, you can too! Try it. It's easier than you may imagine!

Lion Ann Roeseler, District Service Coordinator [989-615-3959 or [ann.roeseler@gmail.com](mailto:ann.roeseler@gmail.com)]

### ***Service Stories and submissions to "LIONS CONNECTIONS"***

We post club service stories and/or news under the "*Club News*" section of the District 11E1 newsletter. Has your story been shared? Our District 11E1 newsletter is forwarded to Lions of Michigan for consideration in the **LION PRIDE**.

**Please submit articles in Word [Please no PDF files] and pictures in jpeg format as an attachment for the February 2023 Newsletter by January 23 to Lions Mike and Tina Hoy at [hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or call 989-832-8354.**

**Any District 11E1 Lion can submit articles and/or pictures for the newsletter. We encourage all clubs to participate as this is your newsletter!**

## GST Article

Membership is the lifeblood of any Lions Club; without members we do not exist. Clubs lose members for any number of reasons, change of jobs, retirement, moves to new homes, or death. There are really only two things that we can do to prevent membership losses. First is to make sure you don't lose members to dissatisfaction. Make sure all your members feel valued and appreciated. Awards/formal recognition is one way, but also a kind word and a pat on the back can be equally effective. Club satisfaction surveys are an effective way to get a handle on whether your club has the type of environment you want. The second is to recruit new members. Many Lions find it uncomfortable to ask their friends, coworkers, or acquaintances to join Lions. Clubs in small towns often feel they have already asked everybody they can think of.

The important thing is to never give up.

I would like to suggest that in the New Year each club commits to sponsoring at least one recruitment event. I believe that these can be an effective tool for clubs, but too few of our clubs use them. As your district Membership Coordinator, I am a resource for you in organizing a membership event. I am available to attend Zone meetings to present ideas, or I can consult with individual clubs as needed. I can be contacted by phone 989 465-6482 or cell 989 615-3960, or by email at [aroeseler1947@hotmail.com](mailto:aroeseler1947@hotmail.com). I wish each of our clubs a most successful New Year.

PDG Al Roeseler

## LMF

Lions of Michigan Foundation is now selling their Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets. We have been challenged by District 11E2 to see who can sell the most tickets. Let's make Governor Jackie proud and sell lots of tickets.

Your club can make this a fundraiser and get money back from the foundation. Sell 30 - 99 tickets gets your club \$3.50 per ticket; 100 - 249 gets your club \$5 per ticket; 250 plus will get your club \$5.50 per ticket. There is also a ticket seller drawing, so let's work together for the Foundation.

PDG Dan Gibbons, Trustee

# District 11E1 Convention Registration Form

April 21 - 22, 2023

Doherty Hotel

604 N. McEwan St., Clare

## CAMPING WITH GOVERNOR JACKIE

Make Room Reservations by calling 989-386-1562. Rooms are \$110 a night + taxes before 3/21/23.

Please print clearly and enter information for each person attending.

Name	Lion	Guest	Registration	Friday	Breakfast	Lunch	Banquet	Total
			\$10	\$15	\$18	\$20	\$25	\$88

All meals will be Buffet. If you need special diet, let me know.

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Due by April 2, 2023. After that, the registration fee is \$20 per person.

Make checks payable to "District 11E1 Convention". Payment must be included with form.

Send to Lion Pam Schroeder, P.O. Box 326, Onekama, MI 49675

Address and phone number of person filling out form: \_\_\_\_\_



# CLUB NEWS

## COLEMAN LIONS

KidSight at Santa Express: This year's Santa Express in Sanford is special - there is a new Santa House! Anticipating more visitors, they added another day to their schedule and invited us to again offer KidSight screenings after two years off due to COVID. In the first two days, we were able to screen 113 children. Seven children were referred to optometrists for complete eye exams. Each child screened got to choose a book to take home. Eight Coleman Lions members, one soon-to-be member, and our friend Lion Laura Smith from Crystal Lions volunteered at the event.



Lion Catrina Naranjo



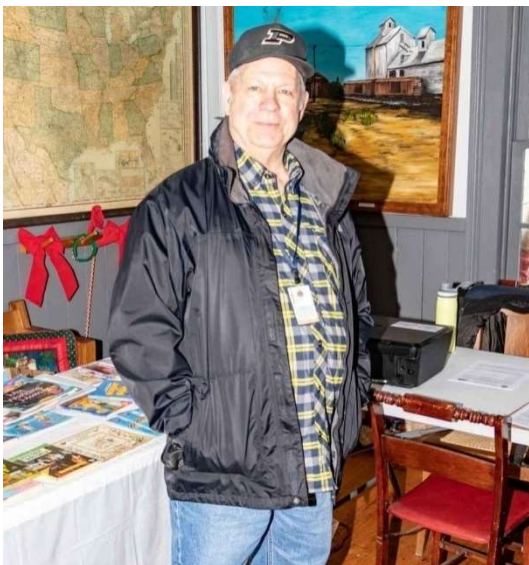
PDG Al Roeseler



Lion Laura Smith (Crystal Lions) & Lion Ann Roeseler



PCC Jeff & PDG Sheryl Schafer, Jason Perkins & Ann



**Midland Lions teamed up with Coleman Lions to provide KidSight vision screening to children at Sanford's Santa Express. Coleman covered December 7 & 8 while Midland screened on December 14 & 15 with a couple of Coleman Lions for support. The whole event was a huge success! Each child received a book to take home plus the gift they got from Santa. We screened 253 kids in total!**

←Lion Dick Ivan, Midland  
Wendy Gross→  
Lion Roger Frazer, Midland→







Gifts for School Family:  
Coleman Lions adopted a school family with three sons to shower with gifts this year. Gifts were purchased with club money as well as donations from members. Coleman Girl Scouts lead by Lion Amy Hovey volunteered to wrap all the gifts! We are happy to help this family have a good Christmas!



## CENTRAL MONTCALM LIONS

The Central Montcalm Lions made up 40 Christmas goodie bags. We delivered these to folks in the community that may be alone or may have recently lost a loved one. The highlight of the bags are the homemade Christmas cards that the local fourth graders make for us every year to put in the bags. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!!





## HARRISON LIONS

Harrison Lions, with Santa, hosted a KidSight screening on December 17 from 12-2 pm at our club house.

We have BINGO every Tuesday and Thursday at 6pm.

Lion Barb Sovey was awarded Lion of the Year.

Our Peace Poster student from Harrison School won in our district.

## BIG RAPIDS LIONS

The Big Rapids Lions Club held their annual Christmas Party on December 5, 2022. The guests of honor were District Governor Jackie Glazer and children of Eagle Village—A residential facility for disadvantaged and abused children. Thank you to Lions Harry and Laura Johnson from the Baldwin Lions Club for making sure that Santa was there with gifts for the Kids from Eagle Village. The music was provided by the Harmonics, a group of musicians, from Big Rapids. A good time was had by all.



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### Picture captions:

1. Santa & his elf with 1st VP Andy Seager
2. The Harmonics
3. Santa making his entrance (PDG Laura Johnson taking the picture.)
4. District Governor Jackie Glazer (in the green sweater), President and Zone Chair Dave Hamelund induct our latest new members, Jim Smith and Tasha McBride.



# MIDLAND LIONS

## KIDSIGHT Dates:

Jan 17	Calvary Baptist Acade	8:45 am
Jan 18	Calvary Baptist Acad	8:45 am

### **SENIOR CENTER CHRISTMAS DINNER SERVICE PROJECT**

On Wednesday December 7, Trailside Senior Center held their Christmas dinner at which the Midland Lions assisted and also supported financially. Lions Eldon & Mary Dean, Dick Ivan, Al Ducham, Ollie Juengel, Roger Frazer, Mike Hays and Jim Warheit served and helped with prizes. There were about 120 seniors signed up for dinner. Everyone had a great time.

**SERVICE PROJECT**: The Lions Annual Christmas Party for special kids was December 13. It is an evening of watching happy "Santa believers" enjoying lots of cookies, laughing with Jewls the clown and singing with Santa. The Midland Country Club do a great job with providing kid friendly food.



Lion Thayre greeted kids at the door.



Elves Mike & Cowboy



Lion Steve welcomed everyone.



The feast begins! Kids were helped by Lions Darren, Dave & Mike.



The fun begins with Jewls!



Santa has arrived!



Jewls & Santa compare footwear.



Lion Eldon guiding kids to Santa.





Kids were given goodie bags & a Teddy Bear. Santa learns what Cowboy wants for Christmas! There were about 30 kids this year, which is a lower number than in past years.



**LIONS CHRISTMAS PARTY!** Great fun on December 20!

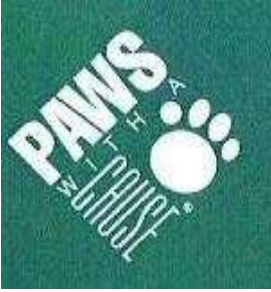


Lion Bob performing magic tricks! Now you see it! Now you don't!



Golden Guild Players performs a Christmas radio show with commercials!

## *District Projects*



**This year, you changed the lives of 51 people, their families, and their communities.** In 2022, Paws With A Cause placed 51 new Service Dog Teams. Each team was made possible because of dozens of individual gifts, from people like you. You provided microchips for puppies, customized special adaptive equipment for Clients to use, and sent PAWS Dogs to their new homes across the country. You made the world a better place for hundreds of people you may never meet! Visit [www.pawswithacause.org/donate](http://www.pawswithacause.org/donate) to give a gift for a PAWS Team on behalf of someone you love.

**Thank you for making 2022 a little brighter for our current and future PAWS Teams!**

I would like to come and visit your club for a presentation. Please contact me through Lions Mike and Tina Hoy at [hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or 989-832-8354. Cowboy Hoy, Hearing/Assistance Dog



Greetings, fellow Lions-

The January edition of the Leader Dogs for the Blind News for Lions is available on our website! Follow the link below to our "Lions resource" page then scroll down for the "newsletter" button. Both a Word and PDF flyer version are available.

Here is the website link: <https://www.leaderdog.org/lions-club/resources/>

Each month, a newsletter page will be uploaded to our website and a notification will be emailed out to you. Help spread the good partnership between Lions and Leader Dog and how people blind, visually impaired, and DeafBlind are

being served.

Together we serve,

Lion Beth

Director of Lions Engagement

Leader Dogs for the Blind

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### **THANK YOU FROM LEADER DOGS**

You and your clubs are the unsung heroes in your community. Lions Clubs and Leader Dog serve local communities across North America as volunteer puppy raisers, ambassadors, fundraisers and leaders. Thank you for another year of dedicated service to others.

You are also a vital part of our team at Leader Dogs for the Blind. We want to celebrate your good work for those who are blind, visually impaired and DeafBlind. The following 2-minute video is a sincere THANK YOU for your work! Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/loU9CKzQc9c>

Together We Serve,

Lions Beth, Kathleen and Mike

The Lions Team at Leader Dog

### **Scholarship for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing**

Applications for the Deborah Love=Peel Scholarship for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing are currently available in conjunction with The Lions of Michigan Foundation. The applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2023. Applicants must show proof of hearing loss, have a GPA of 2.6 or higher, registration at a college, university, or trade school, with a letter of recommendation. This is \$1,000.00 scholarship for higher education.

The applications can be sent to any member of District 11 E1 via email in a PDF or snail mail to be forwarded to eligible students. If you have any questions or would like a copy of the scholarship application, please contact Peggy Frank at [pfrank1219@yahoo.com](mailto:pfrank1219@yahoo.com) or 616 217-6840



**USED HEARING AID DONATIONS** Remember we accept used hearing aids of any age or condition. All used hearing aids are recycled with one of the hearing aid manufactures. Lions of Michigan Foundation is given credits to be used towards the purchase of new hearing aids. Most Clubs collect hearing aids with their glasses. If you have hearing aids for recycling give them to our Foundation Reps., your Zone Chairs, or Lion Peggy Frank at 616 217-6840 for pick-up.

**EYEGLOSS MISSION TRIP 2022**

Due to the lack of doctors, we have had to cancel the Eyeglass Mission for October. We are planning a trip for the middle of February 2023 (*destination Puerto Penasco, Mexico*). If you are interested in participating, you can contact PDG Harry Johnson at 231-745-4524 or [lionharry1947@gmail.com](mailto:lionharry1947@gmail.com) for all the details.

**Lions of Michigan Foundation  
Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers  
Cookbook Fundraiser**



Lions Clubs are well known throughout the world for the services we provide to help people with hearing and vision loss. Nearly a century ago, Helen Keller challenged Lions Clubs to be "Knights of the Blind," and she declared that "the problems of deafness are deeper and more complex, if not more important, than those of blindness. Deafness is a much worse misfortune, for it means the loss of the most vital stimulus — the sound of the voice that brings language, sets thoughts astir and keeps us in the intellectual company of man."

Our new Lions Hearing Centers Cookbook was developed to create awareness for the treatment of hearing loss and to provide funding for our Michigan Lions Affordable Hearing Aid and Hearing Screening Programs, which offer affordable hearing care options for Michigan residents.

With your help, we can continue to change the lives of thousands of Michigan residents who need and depend on the Lions Clubs of Michigan and our partners, sponsors and friends for the treatment of the their hearing loss. Lions Clubs or other nonprofit organizations who sell 20 or more cookbooks collectively will receive a \$5 rebate for each book sold to be used for their local projects.

As a Public Charity, all contributions to the Lions of Michigan Foundation are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. We appreciate your support!

The Michigan Lions Service Foundation has a new cookbook with recipes from Lions across the state of Michigan. Staying at home during COVID has encouraged more of us to try our hand at gourmet cooking and change our usual menu. Cookbooks sell for \$15.00 and can be purchased from your Foundation trustees Pam Schroeder or Pete Conarty. If a club would like to sell them as a fundraiser, the Foundation will reimburse you \$5.00 per cookbook for twenty plus cookbooks sold.

**Cookbook Order and Donation Form**

- I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ cookbook(s) for \$15 each for a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- I would like to make a donation to the Lions Hearing Centers in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Payment Method: \_\_\_ Check \_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_ Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)

Card Number: \_ \_ \_ \_ - \_ \_ \_ \_ - \_ \_ \_ \_ - \_ \_ \_ \_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Club or Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

15th MICHIGAN PIN SWAP - September 21, 22, & 23, 2023

Lions Pin Trading Club of Michigan

White Cloud Lions Den, 294 N. Charles (M-37), White Cloud, Michigan 49349

Thursday, September 21st -Meet & greet from 6 to 9 p.m. -including light supper, snacks & Bingo.

Friday, September 22nd -Pin Trading starts at 9 a.m. at the Den. Annual crazy hot contest at lunchtime and our wine testing event in the evening before dinner. Friday will be 'Game & Card' night. (BYOB)

Saturday, September 23rd -Trading starts at 9 a.m., brunch about 10:00 a.m. We will have 50 -50 drawings, silent and live auctions, the official Business Meeting and Memorial Service during the week-end. Hope you join us for a great time. Bring something for our live auction.

Pin Trader Rooms are available at: Trailside Motel, 231-679-2188

The Shack Bed and Breakfast, 231-924-6683

Please make check payable to Lions Pin Traders Club of Michigan (LPTCMI) Mail check and form to PCC Janalee McClure, PO Box 177, Brohman, MI 49312 by September 10th please. Questions? Email: janalee@riverview.net 231-689-1321 or PDG Pain Schroeder e-mail: dgibbons4870@charter.net 231-889-4870

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

How many for Thursday night \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Pin Trader \_\_\_\_\_ X \$45.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ includes all meals and 1 table

Spouse or Guest \_\_\_\_\_ X \$20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ includes meals

Extra Tables \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Not a Pin Trader? Come to the swap and check out all the pins. We love guests and there is no cost just to look